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In re Patent of:

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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ACTIVATING AN INDUCTANCE LOOP

VEHICLE DETECTION SYSTEM

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Sir:

Applicant, through his undersigned attorney, respectfully asks for a one -month extension for responding to the Office Action of September 22, 2003. Accordingly, the period for submitting the attached response is extended up to and including January 22, 2004.

It is respectfully requested that the associated small entity Petition Fee of \$55, along with any other fees that may be necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, including any

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fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and §1.17, be charged to the deposit account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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